

ABSTRACTPROSTHESIS

A prosthetic implant is described for surgical implantation in a hand of a patient comprising an elongate flexible member (24; 32; 51) for passing snugly around a surgically exposed bone (21) of the hand, the elongate flexible member (24; 32; 51) having first and second end portions (25, 27; 35, 36; 54, 55) at opposite ends thereof, the first end portion (25; 35; 54) of the elongate flexible member (24; 32; 51) being provided with slot defining means (26; 34; 56) defining a slot for receipt of the second end portion (27; 36; 55) of the elongate flexible member (24; 32; 51), and locking means (-; -; 65) to secure the second end portion (27; 36; 55) to the first end portion (25; 35; 54) after insertion of the second end portion (27; 36; 55) in the slot.